

## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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## H.R. 3085

A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail

As introduced in the House of Representatives on June 28, 2005

H.R. 3085 would require the National Park Service (NPS) to study the feasibility and suitability of designating certain routes in several states across the country as components of the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail. Under the bill, if the NPS determines that such routes are appropriate additions to the trail, it would designate them as components.

Assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that implementing this bill would cost less than \$1 million. For this estimate, CBO assumes that the NPS would determine that at least some of the routes it studies should be added to the existing historic trail. That estimate includes the cost of studying all routes, amending the existing trail management plan to incorporate study results, and providing basic interpretive materials such as signs for new trail components. Enacting H.R. 3085 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 3085 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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